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1. At 2 p.m. on 23 August 1952, 20 [ ] trucks were entrained at the Neuruppin (T 53/2 19) freight station. Trucks [ ] stood at the station during the loading operation. From 7 to 8:30 p.m. on 29 August, a train carrying 6 x 122-mm field howitzers, an undetermined number of prime movers, 5 trucks with personnel wearing red-bordered black epaulets, 2 van-like trucks, 1 field kitchen and 1 jeep, was unloaded. [ ] were identified. The troops subsequently left the station toward the Friedrich Franz Kaserne on Fehrbelliner Strasse.
2. Activity at the Friedrich Franz Kaserne on Fehrbelliner Strasse varied greatly during the period from 11 to 20 August. On 12 and 19 August, no activity was noticed in the installation, but up to 300 soldiers were engaged in drill, athletic activities, and training on up to nine 122-mm field howitzers. On 20 August, the installation appeared to be occupied to capacity and all windows were lighted at dusk. Truck [ ] was seen in the barracks yard.
3. On 13 August, 10 trucks [ ] each occupied by 20 soldiers were seen ready for departure in the Kaserne on Karl Liebknecht Strasse. Another motor vehicle seen there was [ ].
4. During the period from 13 to 19 August, an emplacement of four 37-mm AA guns was seen in the hutment on Scholtenplatz. Small groups up to 10 soldiers were engaged in athletic activities, maintaining a rocket launcher and receiving training on four heavy mortars. T-34 tank [ ] and truck [ ] stood in the barracks yard.
5. On 14 August, about 100 soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets fell in in the barracks yard of the former girls' school on Puschkinstrasse. Ten trucks stood nearby. Small groups practiced driving and were engaged in sports activities. [ ]

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6. On 16 August, the village of Centzrode, 7 km north of Neuruppin, was occupied by about 100 soldiers. No troops were seen in the adjoining training area. 25X1
7. Prior to 17 August, [ ] the military hospital on Karl Liebknecht Strasse, Neuruppin, was occupied by Unit [ ] Unit [ ] which was the depot at the Paulinenau railroad station and Unit [ ] which was the post bakery in Neumuehle belonged to Unit [ ] Guards Lieutenant Colonel (Supply) Balashov (fnu) returned from furlough. The Fridericus Kaserne on Altruppiner Allee was occupied by a new unit [ ] and was commanded by Guards Major Shukov (fnu). This installation also quartered Unit [ ] with Guards Lieutenant Colonel Kovalev (fnu) as commanding officer and Guards Lieutenant Colonel Nikitin (fnu) as supply officer, Unit [ ] with Guards Lieutenant Colonel Zudhikh (fnu) as commanding officer and Guards Lieutenant Colonel Dyukov (fnu) as supply officer, and Unit [ ] a letter of which was seen at the guard house of the installation. Unit Toropov [ ] was a repair shop unit which consumed a large amount of current for welding. [ ] the unit of Guards Major Toropov (fnu) was subordinate to another unit which actually had [ ] also met Lieutenant Colonel (Engr) Shcherbashin (fnu) in the barracks installation, who said that he was the commanding officer of a repair shop company. Sixteen JS-3 tanks [ ] 6 trucks and 2 jeeps, all of the [ ] and placed close to the tanks were in the barracks yard on 15 August. 25X1
8. On 17 August, the Sec Kaserne on Karl Liebknecht Strasse still housed: Unit [ ] with Guards Captain Zemyonov (fnu) as supply officer; Unit [ ] with Guards Lieutenant Colonel Dobrovolsky (fnu) as supply officer; and Guards Captain Maruskin (fnu) as deputy of the commanding officer and Lieutenant (Tech) Muslimov (fnu) however, the installation appeared only lightly occupied. No heavy weapons were noticed. Four trucks were parked at the garages. 25X1
9. On 14 August, the Friedrich Franz Kaserne on Fehrbellinerstrasse was only lightly occupied by between 200 and 250 soldiers. Eight soldiers performed service of the piece drill on an 85-mm AT gun. Unit [ ] Zultanov, Unit [ ] Dzhurumsky, Unit Balayev and Unit Perevenkov, the latter in the former Telegraphenbauamt, occupied the installation. 25X1
10. On 15 August, [ ] the five barracks buildings located near the airfield northeast of the Villa Thiele quartered a unit from the Fridericus Kaserne on Altruppiner Allee. 25X1
11. In early August 1952, the two buildings of the Finanzamt at the intersection of Neustaedter Strasse and Bismarck Strasse were occupied by soldiers wearing black-bordered black epaulets who had a three-axle truck. \*
- \* Field Comment. The information on the occupation in Neuruppin indicates no apparent change over previous occupation prior to late August 1952. [ ] Only the occupation of the individual installations fluctuated somewhat due to practices of units of the 12th Gds Tank Div which were held either close to the post or at firing ranges. This is confirmed by the unloading, probably of units of the unidentified artillery battalion, of the division which were entrained in Jueterbog upon completion of the firing training in Jueterbog on 26 August 1952. [ ] The information contained in paragraphs 7 through 9 confirms the following units of the 12th Gds Tank Div: Military post hospital. Division headquarters, [ ] until 17 August 1952. Fridericus Kaserne. 48th Gds Tank Regt, [ ] 49th Gds Tank Regt, [ ] 66th Gds Tank Regt, [ ] and 67th (?) Recon Bn, [ ] until 17 August 1952. It is possible that a large motor vehicle (?) repair shop for repairs on motor vehicles turned in by other units is attached to the last mentioned unit. This barracks installation was previously believed to also 25X1

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25X1 quarter the 71st Gds Hvy Tank BR Regt, [ ] which was reported stationed  
 25X1 in that installation by the source of paragraphs 7 to 10 in mid-June, and on  
 25X1 20 July. [ ]. There is a possibility that the regiment is  
 25X1 quartered for training purposes at the Neuruppin airfield during the summer season.  
 25X1 See paragraph 10 of the present report.  
 25X1 See Kaserne. 59th Tank Tng Bn (US) [ ]; and 226th Mort Regt, [ ]  
 25X1 until 17 August 1952.  
 25X1 Friedrich Franz Kaserne. The unidentified AAA regiment [ ] until 14 August  
 25X1 1952. Unit [ ] belongs to the unidentified guards rocket launcher battalion  
 25X1 carried in the installation or the unidentified guards signal battalion. The latter  
 25X1 probably is the unit which was referred to as Unit Perevenkov [ ].  
 25X1 Except for Guards Major Shukov (fnu), Lieutenant Colonel (Major) Shcherbashin (fnu),  
 25X1 Lieutenant Maslimov (fnu), Dzhurinsky (fnu) and Perevenkov (fnu) all officers and  
 assignments are known from previous reports.

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